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Hidden Treasure Mine (M/001/0067) - conditional approval for Maria pit expansion

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Hi David,

Please see the attached scan of the Division's signed partial and conditional amendment approval letter, which conditionally approves the initial Maria pit expansion. You are now authorized to mine the Maria pit past the alluvium and into bedrock to its currently planned dimensions, as shown in the documents recently submitted to the Division. You will receive the original approval approval letter soon.

While the Division has received the information required by rule to approve the Maria pit expansion, we cannot approve the full amendment without additional information, and so no Notice replacement pages are being sent. The approval letter and Division comments document the approval conditions and the additional required information. The Division has requested that some of the needed information be provided as a Notice amendment by June 1, 2015.

Note that slope stability studies and some additional geochemistry information will be needed. Also note that the Hidden Treasure dump expansion and the Niagara Hill pit, dump, and haulroad are not yet permitted, nor are the proposed variances to allow dumps to be terraced but not graded. Dumps must continue to be built and reclaimed according to the currently-approved Notice, and additional information is required before the Division can approve a variance for current dumps largely located on BLM lands.

Hopefully things are going well. Let us know if you have any questions.

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